REMARKS

Claim 1 is pending.

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 as claiming the same invention as that of claim 1 of prior US Patent No. 6,362,898. Claim 1 is cancelled. Therefore the rejection of claim 1 is moot. Claims 2-25 have been added. Claims 2-25 remain in the case for reconsideration. Reconsideration is requested. No new subject matter has been added.

New claims 2-25 are patented over the prior art of record. For the foregoing reasons, reconsideration and allowance of claims 2-25 of the application as amended is solicited. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (503) 222-3613 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

Respectfully submitted.

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